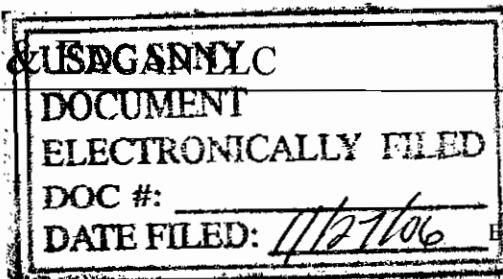


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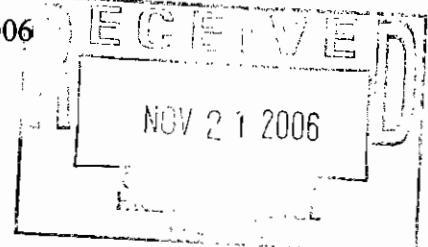
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Via US Mail

Honorable P. Kevin Castel
Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse
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Re: *Nippon Express U.S.A. (Illinois), Inc. v. M/V Chiang Jiang Bridge*
Case No: 06 Civ. 694 (PKC)
Our File: 1412.37

Dear Judge Castel:

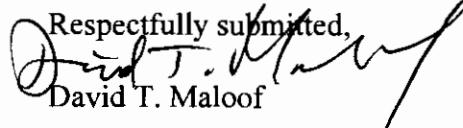
We represent the Plaintiff Nippon Express U.S.A. (Illinois), Inc. in connection with the referenced cargo damage matter.

Previously the Court placed this matter on the suspense docket, giving Plaintiff the right to move to re-open it up until November 30, 2006.

The matter was placed on the suspense docket, as we previously explained, because this lawsuit was filed by Nippon Express solely to protect a potential time bar. Nippon Express is an intermediate cargo carrier. Nippon Express has been negotiating with Japanese interests to resolve the underlying cargo claim. Those negotiations have gone slowly because of delays by the cargo owner in Japan in producing documents.

We are left now with no choice but to request that the Court place this matter on its suspense docket for an additional six months, until May 30, 2007, with the option for it to be reopened sooner by letter application. By that time, we are hopeful that all of the underlying cargo claims will either be withdrawn or be resolved amicably. *OK*

We thank the Court for its consideration in this matter

Respectfully submitted,

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